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Adams

Charles W. Adams

no again

Chas Adams

no 415

Carried on Map
of Adams

July 1/45

Wanted for Patenting
best whether you had
previously not had
any bond for whatever time
it intended at our Bureau
of Patent we could had it

Patent Aug 30th 1845

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no 235 oct 1

Contracts

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Fieldnote

July 16/78

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Harris - 3rd

CLASS

Harris

COUNTY

Chas N. Adams -

640

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Cert. 415

OLD WRAPPER WITHIN

(See Harris Co. St. File No 78)

Corrected Field Notes

CORRECT ON MAP FOR 600 ACRES

4/4/55 VES

Path any - 1845 -
no 235 - Vol-1

3- Cor. Field Notes

March 29, 1955 VES

4- Ltr. From Texas

Prison System

5/29/1955 VES

5- Ltr. From Texas Prison

System 5/29/1955 VES

REPUBLIC OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

640 ACRES,

No. 475 UNCONDITIONAL.

Charles W. Adams has appeared before
us the Board of Land Commissioners for the County of Harris
and proved according to law, that he arrived in this Republic
previous to January 1st 1842 and that he has been a Resident
Citizen up to the present time; that he is a Married man, and
therefore entitled to Six hundred & forty acres of Land,
to be Entered and Surveyed from any Vacant Land of the Re-
public.

Given under our hands at Houston, this
Seventh day of July
1845

A. P. Thompson Chief Justice,
And ex officio President Board Land Com.

E. Thomas Dyer } Associates.

[ATTEST,]

W. R. Baker

Clk County Court, and ex officio Clk Board Land Com.

Houstonian Press.

Wm. W. Houston Secy.

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Stanis C. 3^d Class

Shas. M. Adams.

Unconditional Certificate

Chas W Adams

6110 acres

Chas Adams

No 415.

Reg 149 112 119

Carlton

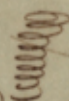
Chief Justice

Justices of the Peace

Justices

County Court, and ex officio Justices of the Peace

Republic of Texas
Harris County



Suba rods of a survey of six
made for Chas Adams
located about five miles south by east of the City of
Houston south of and adjoining the survey made for
J Reynolds and J P Wilson east of and adjoining a survey
made for John Stamps

Being the quantity of land to which he is entitled by virtue of
Certificate No 1415 issued by the Board of Land Commissioners
for the County of Harris on the tenth day of July 1845—
Beginning at a stake and monument in the Prairie the north west
corner of John Stamps survey and also the south east corner
of J P Wilsons survey

Thence South with John Stamps West boundary line
1900 rods to his South West corner
Thence West 1901 rods to a stake and monument
Thence North 1901 rods to a stake in J Reynolds
South Boundary

Thence East 1901 rods to the Beginning
Surveyed July 9th 1845

Wm H Turner
George H. H. H. H.

Wm H Turner
Chas H. H. H.

I solemnly declare under my oath of office that the
 foregoing survey was made since the 1st August 1838

Wm H Turner
Chas H. H. H.

Charles W Adams
640 acres.

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I have examined the within
filed Adis and find them
correct

Houston July 13. 1845

[Signature]
C. S. H. City

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Adams C. 3^d Class

Full notes C. W. Adams

Charles W Adams

Patented

BEGINNING at a $\frac{3}{4}$ " iron pipe marking the northwesterly corner of the John Stamps Survey, Abstract No. 730 from which the antenna at the United Gas Missouri City Station bears S. $51^{\circ}45'W.$ and the water tower at the Houston Lighting and Power Company's Hiram Clark Station bears N. $60^{\circ}15'E.$; said point being a point in the prairie and in the most southerly south line of the George Allen Survey, Abstract No. 96 (Joseph C. Megginson, assignee);

THENCE West, along a portion of the southerly line of the said George Allen Survey, at 108.72 varas cross a new fence at a point 61.92 varas north of a standing southwesterly fence corner, at 109.44 varas cross another fence at a point 61.92 varas north of a standing southeasterly fence corner, at 117.0 varas pass the southwesterly corner of the said George Allen Survey, which corner is 2527.1 varas south of the south fork of Brays Bayou and 1208.04 varas south of the center line of the G.H. & S.A. Railroad Company's track and continuing West, at 580.18 varas cross a fence at a point 51.12 varas north of a southwesterly and southeasterly fence corner, at 996.12 varas cross the center line of the Houston Lighting and Power Company's high line right of way coursing northeasterly and southwesterly, at 1468.80 varas cross a fence at a point 45.18 varas north of a northwesterly and southwesterly fence corner and in the easterly line of Blue Ridge Road as fenced, at 1479.0 varas pass a point 44.64 varas north of a northeasterly and southeasterly fence corner and in the westerly line of said Blue Ridge Road as fenced, in all 1901.0 varas to a $\frac{3}{4}$ " pipe in the northeasterly corner of the H.T. & B. Railroad Company Survey, Section No. 1, Abstract No. 395 from which the antenna at the United Gas Missouri City Station bears S. $20^{\circ}00'W.$ and the water tower at the Houston Lighting and Power Company's Hiram Clark Station bears N. $69^{\circ}50'E.$;

THENCE South, along the easterly line of the said H.T. & B. Railroad Company Survey, Section No. 1, at 41.76 varas cross a standing fence, at 460.8 varas re-cross the center line of the said Houston Lighting and Power Company's high line right of way, at 747.36 varas cross the center line of a drainage ditch, at 1002.6 varas cross the center line of a pipe line easement, at 1536.48 varas cross the center line of another pipe line easement, in all 1901.0 varas to a $\frac{3}{4}$ " iron pipe marking the southeasterly corner of the said H.T. & B. Railroad Company Survey, Section No. 1 and in the most northerly line of the Texas Trunk Railroad Company Survey, Section No. 1, Abstract No. 1005 from which the antenna at the United Gas Missouri City Station bears S. $73^{\circ}30'W.$ and the water tower at the Houston Lighting and Power Company's Hiram Clark Station bears N. $54^{\circ}00'E.$; said point being a point 92.88 varas east of and 86.04 varas north of a southwesterly fence corner;

THENCE East, along a portion of the most northerly line of the said Texas Trunk Railroad Company Survey, Section No. 1 and a portion of the northerly line of the Alex B. Reeves Survey, Abstract No. 874, at ~~1436.32~~ 3-28-55

~~1436.32~~ Wallace Fones
436.32 varas re-cross the westerly line of the Blue Ridge Road as fenced, at 461.16 varas re-cross its easterly line, at 791.0 varas pass the northeasterly corner of the said Texas Trunk Railroad Company Survey, Section No. 1 and the northwesterly corner of the said Alex B. Reeves Survey and continuing East along the northerly line of the said Alex B. Reeves Survey, at 1800.0 varas cross the center line of a drainage ditch, at 1824.66 varas cross a fence, at a point 82.44 varas north of a southeasterly and southwesterly fence corner, in all 1901.0 varas to a $\frac{3}{4}$ " pipe marking the southwesterly corner of the said John Stamps Survey from which the antenna at the United Gas Missouri City Station bears S. $85^{\circ}45'W.$ and the water tower at the Houston Lighting and Power Company's Hiram Clark Station bears N. $41^{\circ}15'E.$;

THENCE North, along the westerly line of the said John Stamps Survey, at 834.48 varas cross a pipe line, at 906.3 varas cross a fence at a point 99.0 varas east of a northwesterly and southwesterly fence corner, at 1128.24 varas cross another fence at a point 104.76 varas east of another southwesterly and northwesterly fence corner, at 1144.08 varas cross the center line of a drainage ditch, at 1384.2 varas cross the center line of a pipe line, at 1846.08 varas cross a fence at a point 108.26 varas east of a southwesterly fence corner and 118.34 varas east of a 1" pipe in a northeasterly fence corner, in all 1901.0 varas to the point of place of beginning.

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TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

J. R. WEAVER

J. E. POWELL

I, Wallace Fones LICENSED STATE LAND- ~~OWNER~~ -SURVEYOR OF HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING SURVEY WAS MADE BY ME ON THE GROUND, ACCORDING TO LAW, ON THE DATE AND WITH THE CHAIN CARRIERS AFORESAID, DULY QUALIFIED, AND THAT THE LIMITS, CORNERS, AND BOUNDARIES WITH THE MARKS OF THE SAME, NATURAL AND ARTIFICIAL, ARE TRULY AND CORRECTLY DESCRIBED AND SET FORTH IN THE FOREGOING PLAT AND FIELD NOTES, JUST AS I FOUND THEM ON THE GROUND.

Wallace Fones
LICENSED STATE LAND SURVEYOR--
COUNTY SURVEYOR

FILED FOR RECORD IN MY OFFICE, THE 29 DAY OF March 1955, AT 8:50
O'CLOCK A.M., AND DULY RECORDED THE 29 DAY OF March, 1955, IN BOOK
M., PAGE 329 OF THE FIELD NOTE RECORDS OF Harris COUNTY, TEXAS.

Harris COUNTY, TEXAS.
R. G. Washburn
COUNTY SURVEYOR--COUNTY CLERK

File No. Harris 3-42
HARRIS County

Corrected Field Notes

Survey No. _____
Filed March 29 1955

~~J. EARL BUDDER, Com'r.~~

By 

Correct on Map for ~~640~~ acres
~~4/5/55 YES~~

These field notes filed for the purpose of establishing this survey on the ground in accordance with the patented field notes.

April 5, 1955

V.E. Sterling

The land embraced in these field notes is owned by the Texas Prison System. The prison officials refuse to approve or adopt this resurvey as reflecting the true patented position of the Adams survey. These notes are therefore cancelled and should not be considered for any purpose until such time as the prison system may elect to adopt the resurvey.

Sumner Wallace
Chief Clerk
5/31/55

J. E. POWELL
J. H. WEAVER
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TEXAS PRISON SYSTEM
HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS

O. B. ELLIS
GENERAL MANAGER

May 25, 1955

Mr. Dennis Wallace, Chief Clerk
General Land Office, State of Texas
Austin 14, Texas

Dear Mr. Wallace:

Blue Ridge Prison Farm Property Line

Prior to the last meeting of the Prison Board,
Mr. Robertson appointed a committee to study
the above-named problem. Such a study was made.

For your information I am attaching excerpts from
the recessed meeting of the Prison Board held in
Austin on May 23 relative to this subject.

Yours very truly,


O. B. Ellis

OBE:dm

Enc.

cc: Mr. J. Arthur Sandlin
Assistant Attorney General

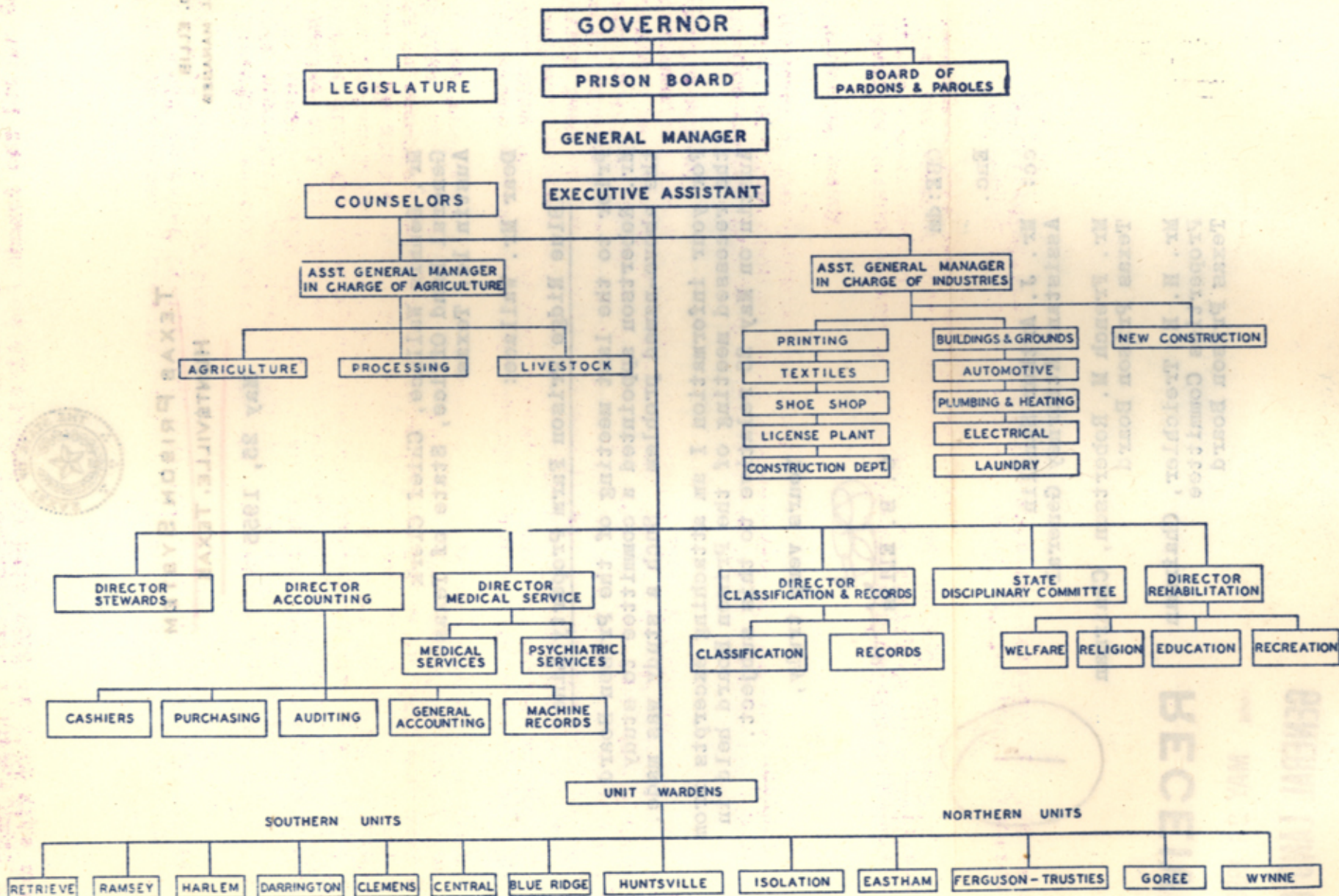
Mr. French M. Robertson, Chairman
Texas Prison Board

Mr. H. E. Treichler, Chairman
Properties Committee
Texas Prison Board

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Disputed Property Line - Blue Ridge

Mr. Treichler stated that he, Mr. Paulus, and Mr. Frierson looked over the land in question. He continued by saying that a survey made in 1935 showed the fences and structures in existence at that time and

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and indicated that the fence at Blue Ridge was on the line. He stated that recently some sub-division developers have questioned the line stating that the Prison System fence takes in some property purchased by them. He informed the Board that these developers had caused another survey to be made but that in his opinion no action should be taken by the Board at this time pending conclusive proof that the Prison System fence is on private property.

Mr. Robertson stated that he thought the position of Mr. Treichler and his committee was sound. He said that he had looked at the land in question with the General Manager and had subsequently discussed the matter with Mr. Rudder, Commissioner of the General Land Office. He stated that the developers had misrepresented the position of the Prison System both to the Land Commissioner and the Attorney General's Office. He stated that the Prison System based its claim to the property in question on a survey made by the State in 1935 and that until such time as official surveys indicate that the 1935 survey was in error the Prison Board would make a mistake in moving its fences.

Mr. Frierson stated that when the developers first came to see him he told them that the Prison System had set its fences according to the official survey made in 1935, that the Prison System did not want a single foot of land which did not belong to it, and that if official surveys indicate that the fence is not on the line and the Attorney General's Office gives an opinion to that effect, the fences would be moved. He continued by saying that the people went to Austin and misrepresented the matter to the General Land Office and the Attorney General's Office.

Mr. Paulus stated that he did not see how the Prison Board could take any other position than to await the outcome of official surveys and the opinion of the Attorney General.

Mr. Treichler moved

That the Prison System keep its fences at Blue Ridge where they were placed according to the official survey in 1935 until such time as other official surveys and the Attorney General's opinion indicates that they should be moved.

The second to the motion was by Mr. Paulus and the motion prevailed without opposition when the Chairman called it to a vote.

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HARRIS County
Ltr. Tex. Prison System
Filed May 26 1955
J. EARL RUDDER, Com'r.
By [Signature]

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GENERAL LAND OFFICE

Mr. Robertson stated that when the developers first came to see him about the Prison Board would make a mistake in moving the fence. Such time as official surveys indicate that the 1933 survey was in place. He stated that the Prison System leased its claim to the Prison System both to the Land Commissioner and the Attorney General. He stated that the developers had misrepresented the position of the land in question with the General Manager and had subsequently discussed and his committee was sound. He said that he had looked at the Mr. Robertson stated that he thought the position of Mr. Attorney General that the Prison System fence is on private property. He stated that the Board at this time pending conclusive had caused another survey to be made but that in his opinion no property purchased by them. He informed the Board that these developers the line stating that the Prison System fence takes in some two and indicated that the fence at Blue Ridge was on the line. He

1933 survey, the fence and structures to existences at that time and the land in question. He continued by saying that a survey made by Mr. Trempier stated that Mr. Darby and Mr. Robertson looked over



GENERAL MANAGER
O. B. ELLIS

TEXAS PRISON SYSTEM
HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS

April 27, 1955

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GENERAL LAND OFFICE

Mr. Dennis Wallace, Chief Clerk
General Land Office, State of Texas
Austin 14, Texas

Dear Mr. Wallace:

Blue Ridge Prison Farm Property Line

This is to confirm our conversation at Austin yesterday. It is our opinion that this is a matter which should receive very careful consideration before a decision is made.

Our present fences are on a line established in Reclamation Department Bulletin No. 26 dated 1935, which contains maps and property descriptions as surveyed by Ralph J. McMahon under the direction of A. M. Vance, State Reclamation Engineer. To my knowledge, this is the first time anyone has claimed this survey to be in error.

I explained to the Attorney General's Department that this is very valuable land and that we would not consider moving the fences until we had more conclusive proof that the line was in error and we were ordered to do so. In the event this line is in error then the whole survey is in error, and we would be entitled to equivalent land on the north end of the farm. Therefore, we would expect the Reclamation Department to resurvey and re-establish all boundary lines of the Blue Ridge Farm.

If conclusive proof can be developed and we are in error, certainly we will cheerfully abide by the decision, but as yet I do not think that proof has been developed.

Yours very truly,

OBE:dm

O. B. Ellis

cc: Mr. J. Arthur Sandlin
Assistant Attorney General

Mr. French M. Robertson
Chairman, Texas Prison Board

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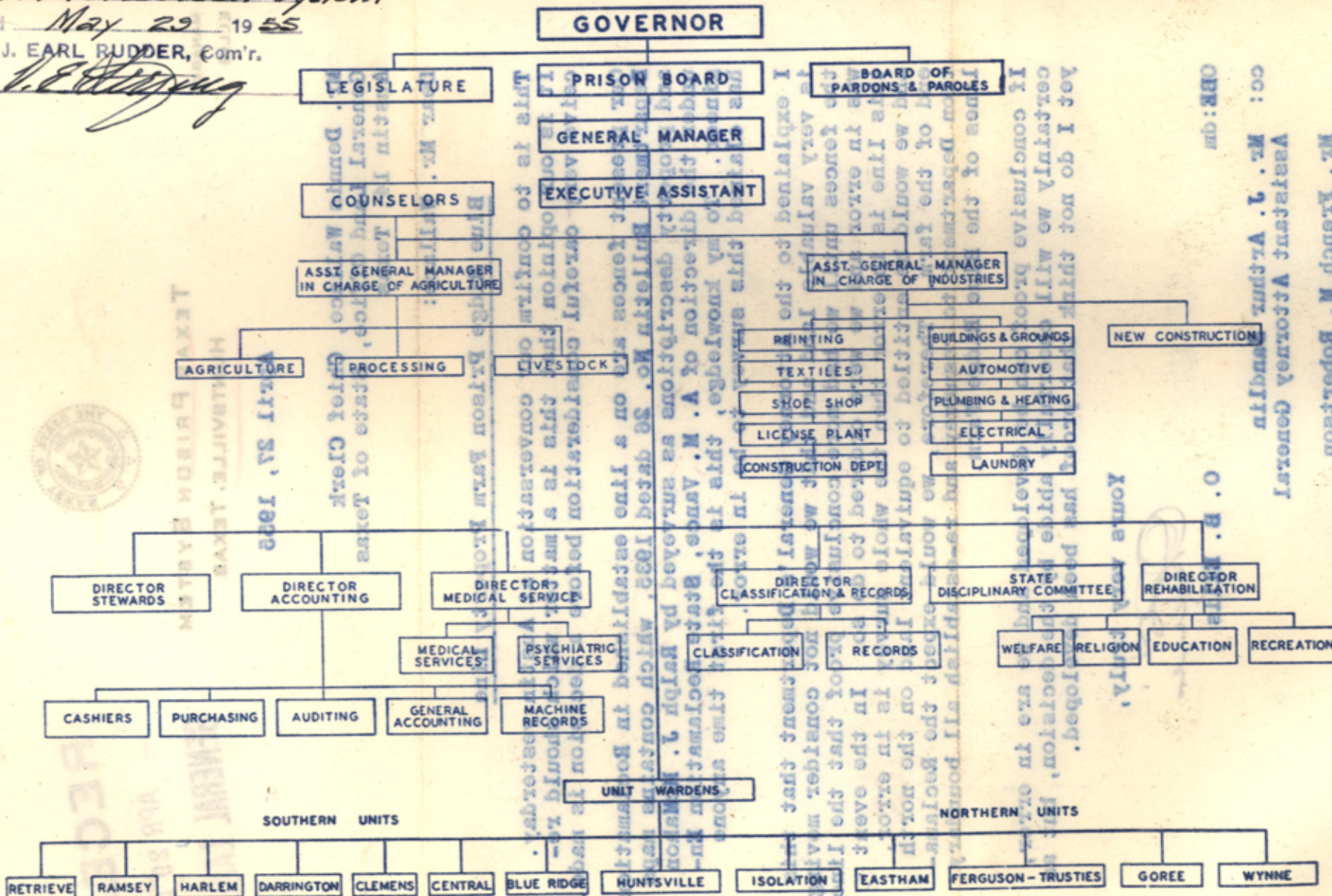
Harris County

Ltr. Tex Prison System

Filed May 23 19 55

J. EARL RUDDER, Com'r.

By J. E. Rudder



CC: Mr. J. Arthur England

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Mr. French M. Robertson

Chairman, Texas Prison Board



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WESTERN UNITED REALTY COMPANY

514 SCANLAN BLDG.
HOUSTON 1, TEXAS
BLackstone 0509



Real Estate Developments

March 28, 1955

Mr. Dennis Wallace
General Land Office
Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Wallace:

In compliance with your prior instructions, I submit herewith, one plat showing the correct boundries of the Charles W. Adams Survey and corrected field notes for such survey as prepared by the A. C. Stimpson Surving Company.

As you will note this plat reflects that the fence of The State Prison System along the South Boundry line of said Adams Survey has been placed approximately 190 feet south of the true and correct south boundry line of the Adams Survey.

The Texas State Prison System is aware of this mistaken location of their fence, and have agreed to move it to its correct location upon receipt of proper authorization from the Attorney Generals Office.

I therefore respectfully request that your department advise the Attorney Generals Office of the State of Texas of this error of the location of the fence line, so that the Attorney Generals Office can furnish to Mr. Bryon W. Frierson of the Texas State Prison, at Central Farm No. 1, Sugarland, Texas, authorization to move said fence to its correct location.

Sincerely yours,

WESTERN UNITED REALTY COMPANY

D. A. Terry
D. A. Terry, President

Encl.
DAT/jm

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J. EARL RUDDER, COMMISSIONER
DENNIS WALLACE, CHIEF CLERK

General Land Office

State of Texas

Austin

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APRIL 5, 1955

HON. JOHN BEN SHEPPERD
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS
AUSTIN, TEXAS

DEAR MR. SHEPPERD:

THE WESTERN UNITED REALTY COMPANY OF 514 SCANLAN BUILDING, HOUSTON, TEXAS, HAS SUBMITTED TO THIS OFFICE FOR APPROVAL A RE-SURVEY OF THE CHAS. W. ADAMS SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 101 IN HARRIS COUNTY WITH THE REQUEST THAT SUCH SURVEY BE APPROVED BY THIS OFFICE IN ORDER THAT THE FENCES MAY BE PLACED ON THE SURVEY LINE.

THE CHAS. W. ADAMS SURVEY IS OWNED BY THE TEXAS PRISON SYSTEM AND I AM INFORMED BY THE WESTERN UNITED REALTY COMPANY THAT THE PRISON SYSTEM IS AWARE OF THE MISTAKEN LOCATION OF THEIR FENCE AND HAVE AGREED TO MOVE IT TO ITS CORRECT LOCATION UPON RECEIPT OF THE PROPER AUTHORIZATION FROM THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.

THE FENCE IN QUESTION IS THE ONE RUNNING EAST AND WEST, SOUTH OF THE BOUNDARY LINE OF THE ADAMS SURVEY. I HAVE ACCEPTED THE CORRECTED FIELD NOTES OF THIS SURVEY AS PREPARED BY MR. WALLACE FONES, LICENSED LAND SURVEYOR, AND THEY HAVE BEEN APPROVED AND FILED IN THIS OFFICE AS BEING CORRECT.

THE SURVEYOR SUBMITTED A SKETCH AND SURVEYOR'S REPORT WITH HIS RESURVEY, AND COPIES OF THIS SKETCH AND REPORT ARE ATTACHED HERETO. THIS REPORT AND SKETCH REPRESENTS THE RESURVEY AS ACCEPTED AND APPROVED BY THIS OFFICE.

IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS MATTER HAS BEEN DISCUSSED WITH MR. AMIS OF YOUR OFFICE BY MR. ROBERT HILL OF AUSTIN, TEXAS.

PAGE NO. 2 HON. JOHN BEN SHEPPERD

W. B. Rudder

I TRUST THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED HEREIN
WILL ENABLE YOU TO GIVE THE PROPER AUTHORIZATION TO THE
PRISON SYSTEM FOR THE REMOVAL AND REBUILDING OF THIS FENCE.
IF, HOWEVER, THERE IS FURTHER INFORMATION WHICH YOU MAY
DESIRE, I WILL BE GLAD TO FURNISH WHATEVER IS AVAILABLE FROM
THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE.

SINCERELY YOURS,

J. EARL RUDDER, COMMISSIONER
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

DW:HH

CC: THE WESTERN UNITED REALTY COMPANY
514 SCANLAN BUILDING
HOUSTON, TEXAS

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CC: THE WESTERN UNITED REALTY COMPANY
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OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE
J. EARL WOODS, COMMISSIONER

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PAGE NO. 5 HON. JOHN DEN SHEPHERD

P. O. Box 519
Abilene, Texas
July 26, 1955

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Mr. Rudder

Honorable J. Earl Rudder, Commissioner
General Land Office
Austin, Texas

Dear Sir:

As Chairman of the Texas Prison Board, I desire to request that you have a complete survey made of the Charles W. Adams Survey situated in Harris County, Texas.

If it meets with your approval and convenience, I should appreciate receiving this information on or before Monday, September 12, 1955.

Very truly yours,

French M. Robertson

FRENCH M. ROBERTSON, Chairman
Texas Prison Board

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James H. HARRIS, JR.
FRENCH W. HARRISON, Chairman
Vern G. HARRIS, Jr.
James H. Harris, Jr.

Monday, September 12, 1955.

Should appreciate receiving this information on or before

It is made with your approval and convenience, I

W. Adams, Surveyor situated in Harris County, Texas.

As Chairman of the Texas Prison Board, I desire

Dear Sir:

Austin, Texas

General Land Office

Honorable J. Earl Rodgers, Commissioner

July 26, 1955
Austin, Texas
P. O. Box 219

Mr. Harris
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